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INSTALLATION DINNER.....

The 59th Installation Dinner of SDNS will be held at Los Panchos Restaurant, 3036 El Cajon Blvd, San Diego on Tues. Jan 5 1999. SDNS had another dinner at this establishment when it was known as Big Boy - The dining room is on the second floor.

Social Hour will be at 5:45 PM, with dinner served at 6:45 PM. Menu selection is shown below, and members MUST make reservations with either Dorothy at 442-2726 or Ginny at 421-8542. ***Reservations must be received by noon on Monday, Jan. 4th.....***

Selections noted will include coffee or soda, but other drinks must be paid for upon serving. Prices shown include tax and tip:

Chicken or Steak dinners	$10.00
Shrimp dinner	$11.00
Chimichanga or Combo plates	$ 8.00

Most entrees include beans/rice and tortillas.

ONE VERY IMPORTANT THING.....

This year, only members who have paid 1999 dues will be receiving the prizes..... so make sure your dues are paid.

The mailing label on this copy of the Bulletin will be highlighted if you are one of those who has not paid dues. Dues are $6.00, and only $3.00 for Juniors. IF you have any questions, call Dorothy at 442-2726

DON'T FORGET TO CALL BEFORE JANUARY 4TH.....

VOLUNTEERS!!

Your Editor was quite disappointed in the response to the request for 1999 Volunteers in the last issue. PLEASE try to do better?

Month	Speaker	Host/Hostess
February	_____	_____
March	_____	_____
April	_____	_____
May	_____	Jean Luce
June	Other Hobby Night	Birthday.. Night
July	_____	_____
August	_____	_____
September	_____	_____
October	_____	_____
November	_____	_____
December	Donation Auction	Potluck Dinner.....

Don't forget - you get a chance at the January drawing for a gold prize when you act as host/hostess, give a speech, or offer 'show 'n tell' at one of the monthly meetings.....

Give me a call at 442-2726, please.....Dorothy

AND PAY YOUR DUES!!!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS....

December 31st - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Jan 5th 1999 Installation Dinner 6:45 PM
Los Panchos Restaurant - 3038 El Cajon Blvd
(see separate article for details)

Jan 21-24 CSNA Convention with San Jose annual Coin Show - San Jose.

February 2nd First Regular meeting of 1999

March 11-14 A.N.A. Early Spring Convention Sacramento, CA

March 20 CSNA Annual Symposium - Fullerton CA

SINCERE THANKS to Rex Salmon for his continuing help. He furnishes the NEW masthead for me each year - He and wife Lynn made a special trip here Christmas Eve day to deliver the first of this year.

Rex, I really appreciate your efforts.

Editor Dorothy

RAFFLE PRIZES:

1. 5 GRAMS SILVER BAR
2.D 1936-S NICKEL
3. 1963-P DATE SET
4. 1991 ISLE OF MAN CROWN
5. 1921 SILVER DOLLAR
6. 1896 SILVER DOLLAR
7. 1976 QUARTER
8.D ERROR CENT
9.D A.N.A. BADGE
10. 1934-S HALF DOLLAR
11. 1945 TWO PESO GOLD
12. 1897-D SILVER DOLLAR
13. 1890 SILVER DOLLAR
14. 1865 MEXICAN GOLD TOKEN

DONATIONS - Al and Dorothy Baber,
Patti Jagger

We do not have a speaker nor a host/hostess for the February 1999 meeting. Can anyone help us out? Call Ginny, President, at 421-8542, or Dorothy at 442-2726

DILEMMA

I started out with Nickels and Dimes
The Indians and Lincolns next in line
Quarters and Halves were really neat!
Then the old Large Cents took the front seat.
I learned of Proofs and Uncirculated Rolls.
Now, what should I keep and what should go?
I need Confederates and Commemoratives and
I gotta have gold --
The Half Cents and Colonials, -- Gee, that
takes dough.
So I jumped to Canadians and Foreign awhile,
To ease my purse as I wear a big smile.
Game Counters and Mint Errors are now my goal.
But my hubby started Ancients; now I'm' out in the
cold.
I've got boxes and bags and rolls galore;
Sets, books and pages coming out of the door.
Would a veteran collector (Please let me in on
the know?)
Do you move? Add a room? Or collect more slow???

(This was written by Mary Ellen Newell, and 'purloined' from a *1964* isue of the N.A.S.C. Quarterly.)

PLAN AHEAD.....

There will be more detailed information in the next bulletin about the speakers at the upcoming CSNA Symposium on March 20th. IF you are a member of CSNA, there was very detailed information in your recent issue. IF you are not a member, there are a number of SDNS members who would be delighted to furnish you with an application to join.!!!!

MEETING NOTES.....

The dinner on December 1st was enjoyed by over 40 members and guests. The chicken dinner, supplemented with offerings from all the members, was quite tasty.

Though member Jim Wells had accepted the nomination for President of the Society, he later had cause to decline, so current President, Ginny Bourke, was officially placed in that position, and will be installed with the other new officers at the January meeting. (IF there is a member who would like to accept this position, Ginny would be quite grateful.)

The Society voted to place a nomination for office of Governor for A.N.A. for Kay Lenker. American Numismatic Assn will be electing new officers in the summer of 1999.

The donation auction had quite a variety of items for sale, and the auction was conducted by Al Baber and Ginny Bourke, and netted about $140.00 for the prizes for the January dinner.

It was voted that only 1999 paid up members, attending the dinner, will be eligible to claim the prizes. This will be so noted in the Bulletin announcing the dinner.

TRIVIA OFF THE E-MAIL.....

Monday is an awful way to spend 1/7th of your life....
You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive....
The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
The colder the X-ray table, the more of your body is required on it.
Never do card tricks with a group you play poker with.....
If at first you don't succeed, then skydiving is definitely for you.
If you think nobody cares for you, try missing a couple of payments.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, Jan 5, 1999 -- Installation Dinner -
Los Panchos Restaurant -3038 El Cajon Blvd
READ IMPORTANT DETAILS INSIDE! ! ! !

Meet first Tuesday each month

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CSNA in San Jose....

There were several SDNS members who attended the 104th CSNA convention in San Jose during the week end of Jan 22-24, and Kay Lenker brought home the Albert L. Baber Best in Show medal for her exhibit on Ming Notes. Her second exhibit of Odd and Curious was just 1 point different that the other - so she did good!!. She can tell us how many she has won, but think it is now five... She was the only SDNS member exhibiting.

New CSNA officers were installed at a banquet at Zorba's Greek restaurant on Saturday night, including Kay as Treasurer and Ginny as Secretary.

It was a nice show, but what a surprise when a Sunday night storm closed I-5 from Kettleman to Castaic and we had to back-track to Hwy 101, and take that route home....such a storm!!!

The Spring CSNA convention in 2000 will be held in Modesto CA, so look for new territory.

RAFFLE PRIZES - FEBRUARY

1. 1922 Silver Dollar
2-D 1965 Elks Mardi Gras
3-D 1995 Central States Badge
4. 1780 Austrian Thaler
5. 1974 Ike Silver Dollar
6. 1989 Commemorative Half dollar
7. 1921 Silver Dollar
8. 1972 Ike Silver Dollar
9. 1964 Club Medal
10. 1945 2 1/2 Peso Gold
11. 1921 Silver Dollar
12. Tod's Good for's
13. 1922 Silver Dollar
14-D 1976 F.M. Proof bronze medal
15. 1865 Mexico Gold Token
16-D 1982 San Jose Medal

Donations - Al Baber and Dorothy Baber

IT WAS great to see Member Paul Boltz at the installation dinner with Son Paul in January. Perhaps he can visit again real soon.....

FLASH - New member J.T. Stanton is NOT from Atlanta GA, but lives in Savannah.....

VOLUNTEERS

Month	Speaker	Hostess	Coin
February	Dave Jones Everett Jones	Ginny Bourke	Silver Quarter
April	.....	.....	.....
May	Jim Hunt	Jean Luce	
June	Other Hobby Night	Birthday Cake	
July	Everett Jones	.....	
August	.....	.....	
September	.....	.....	
October	Larry Baber	.....	
November	.....	.....	
December	Donation Auction	Potluck Dinner	

AS YOU CAN SEE, there are still a number of vacancies we would like to fill up.....PLEASE do your part.....

BE SURE AND BRING A SHOW 'N TELL TO THE NEXT MEETING.
GETS YOU A CHANCE AT THE YEAR-END PARTICIPATION PRIZE.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS....

Febr 2	Regular Meeting Dave and Everett Jones Japanese Coinage and Japanese New Year
Febr 7	SDCICNC meeting - Delegates notified.
Febr 11-14	Long Beach Coin Exposition - Long Beach
Febr 14	Happy Valentine Day
Mar 2	Regular Meeting - Speaker and Hostess needed....
Mar 12-13-14	A.N.A. Early Spring Convention in in Sacramento.....
Mar 20	CSNA Annual Symposium - see separate page for details on speakers.

E-MAIL TRIVIA.....

ONLY in America can a pizza get to your house faster than an ambulance...

ONLY in America do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters...

ONLY in America do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and leave useless things and junk in the garage.

ONLY in America do we use answering machines to screen calls and then have call waiting so we won't miss a call from someone we didn't want to talk to in the first place.

ONLY in America do people order double cheese burgers, a large fry and a diet coke.

ONLY in America are there handicap parking places in front of a skating rink.

HALF DIMES/20-CENT PIECES

The pieces shown here are from Krause Publication's 1999 Coin and Paper Money Calendar, which features strange denomination U.S. coins and these are on the September calendar....the half dime and the 20-cent piece. The half dime is easy to figure out. It was the denomination that rested comfortably between the dime and the cent and today is commonly called a nickel. First struck in 1794, the denomination "5C." (later expressed as "Half Dime") wasn't added to the coin until 1829. Half dimes continued to be struck through 1873, in silver, and were ultimately replaced by copper-nickel five-cent pieces, first minted in 1866.

The 20-cent piece never enjoyed the popularity or longevity of the half dime. First suggested by Nevada Sen. John Percival Jones, under the guise of aiding Western merchants in making change, the coin was really an outlet for burgeoning silver supplies. The public wasn't inspired, silver continued to decline in value, and coinage of the 20-cent piece ended in 1878, a scant three years after it began.

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S
EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY - MARCH 20th 1999

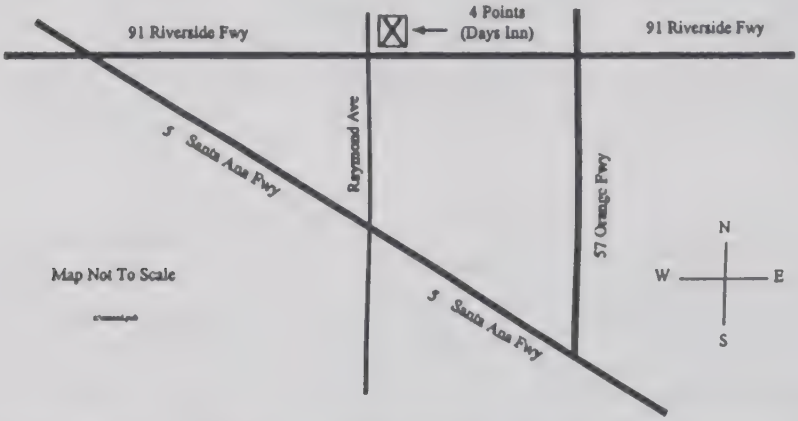
10:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. - **FREE ADMISSION**

Sheraton 4 Points

(Formally Days Inn)
1500 S. RAYMOND AVE.
FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA

THIS YEAR'S GUEST SPEAKERS AND TOPICS

PHILIP N. DIEHL Director of the U.S. Mint	NEW COIN DESIGNS BEGINNING IN 1999
NAWANA BRITENRIKER	WHAT'S NEW AT THE ANA LIBRARY
WILLIAM F. SPENGLER	THE EURO, ITS COINAGE, ITS CURRENCY, ITS OUTLOOK
ANTHONY SWIATEK	COMMEMORATIVE COINS AND COIN COLLECTING IN THE UNITED STATES



THE BEST EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM IN THE UNITED STATES!

THIS'N THAT FROM SDNS.....

There were 32 members and guests at the SDNS Installation of Officers dinner on Jan. 5- with Les Peich installing new officers, Jim Hunt as Treasurer, and Wayne Dickey as Vice President. AGAIN in the position of President is Ginny Bourke, and Kay Lenker as Secretary. New 3-year board members are Dorothy Baber, Ellen Hunt, and Terry Cruggs. Les Peich gave special thanks to Larry Baber, who was vacating the position of Treasurer after a number of years.

Al Baber's talk on Collecting Copper Coins was quite interesting, and following that, Kay Lenker was awarded the Participation prize, a gold coin.

ONLY dark note, was the fall of Harold Centman, down the stairs, as the evening ended. He is currently in rehab at Alvarado Hospital, after receiving a new hip socket.

.....SDNS has four new members - from San Francisco area - Mike Stanley, Mbr #1046 and Mike Turrini, #1047; J. T. Stanton from Atlanta GA, #1048, and Bob Campbell, Salt Lake City, UT, #1049 Welcome to all of you.

....Heard through a grapevine, that former member L. L. Lundberg has been ill with cancer, but from a telephone conversation, he says it is in remission, and his current problem is eye-sight, and he is dependent on friends to take him everywhere.

DUES ARE DUE.....

Secretary Kay would appreciate it if everyone would pay their dues... $6.00 for Seniors,and $3.00 for Juniors.
IF paying by check, make out to SDNS.... but better yet, come to the February meeting, and pay in person. See you there....

Next Meeting:

TUES. FEBR 2, 1999 7:00 PM
Speaker(s) Dave & Everett Jones
Topics -Japanese Coinage/Japanese New Year
Hostess Ginny Bourke
Coin Silver Quarter

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COMING EVENTS.....

March 2 - Regular Meeting - 7:00 PM

Al Baber	Indian Head Cents
Host	Wayne Dickey
Coin	Indian Head Cent

March 12-14 A.N.A. Early Spring Convention
Sacramento, CA

March 20 31st Annual CSNA Symposium
Sheraton 4 Points - Fullerton, CA
(Directions were given in Febr Bulletin -
If you have questions, call 442-2726)
If you haven't attended one of these Symposiums, you are in for a treat.... do try to make it.

April 6 - HELP -STILL NEED SPEAKER AND HOST/HOSTESS.

LIFE BEGINS AT 80.....

I have good news for you - the first 80 years are the hardest. The second 80 are a succession of birthday parties.

Once you reach 80, everyone wants to carry your baggage, and help you up the steps. If you forget your name or anybody else's name, or an appointment, or your own telephone number, or promise to be three places at the same time, or can't remember how many grandchildren you have, you need only to explain that you are 80.

Being 80 is a lot better than being 70. At 70, people are mad at you for everything. At 80, you have a perfect excuse no matter what you do. If you act foolishly, it's your second childhood. Everyone is looking for symptoms of softening of the brain.

Being 70 is no fun at all. At that age, they expect you to retire to a house in Florida and complain about your arthritis, (they used to call it lumbago). And you ask everyone to stop mumbling because you can't understand them. (Actually, your hearing is about 50% gone.) If you survive until you are 80, everyone is surprised that you are still alive. They treat you with respect just for having lived so long. Actually they seem surprised that you can walk and talk sensibly.

So, please folks, try to make it to 80. It's the best time of life. People forgive you for anything. If you ask me, life begins at 80.

PS. One way to live longer (maybe to 80) is to stop doing all the things that make you want to live longer.

Al Baber

Happy Birthday on
March 20th.....

FAITHFUL FEW....

When the meeting's called to order, and you look around the room;
You're sure to see some faces, that from out of shadows loom.
They are always at the meeting, and stay until it's through.
The ones that I would mention are always the FAITHFUL FEW.

They fill the vacant office as they are always on the spot.
No matter what's the weather, though it may be awfully hot;
It may be dark and rainy, but they are tried and true;
The ones that you rely on, always the FAITHFUL FEW.

There are lots of members who will come when in the mood;
When everything is convenient, and they can get a little food.
They are a factor in the club, and necessary too;
But the ones that never fail us are always the FAITHFUL FEW

If it were not for these faithful, their shoulders to the wheel;
Keep the club moving forward, without halt or reel;
What would be the fate of the clubs that have so much to do
If it were not for the FAITHFUL FEW....

Anonymous.....

MARCH 2ND MEETING....

Al Baber will be the speaker, and he will be talking on Indian Head Cents, and so, we chose that coin, the Indian Head Cent, as the coin of the month. So come listen, and you may go home with a number of Indian Head Cents.
Refreshments will be served by Wayne Dickey... See you there.....

MEETING NOTES.....

There were 26 members at the February meeting. Following the pledge to the allegiance, reports were given on both CSNA held with San Jose Show, and on the up-coming ANA convention in Sacramento in March.

New delegates were appointed for SDCICNC meetings - namely, Dorothy Baber, Kay Lenker and Ellen Hunt, with Ginny Bourke as the alternate. Jim Hunt was a representative, but since he is to be installed as the new Council President, he needs a replacement. Phil Centman reported that brother Harold was doing better and should be released from Rehab soon.

Ginny presented a CSNA Honorable Mention Literary award to Jack Hook for a recent article in Calcoin News. It was his first literary effort in that publication.

American Numismatic Association nomination requests were received from ANA Officer hopefuls - Helen Carmody-Lebo for the office of Vice President and from Bob Campbell and J.T. Stanton for office of President. Both the two Presidential nominees just recently became SDNS members, but Helen has been a member for 5 years. Her nomination was approved, as well as that of J.T. Stanton.

The Jones Brothers, Dave and Everett, were the speakers for tonight, with Dave talking on Japanese Coinage, and Everett's topic was Chinese New Year. Both had spent extensive time in the Orient during their service years, and brought examples of coinage as well as publications.

Show 'n Tell -

Larry Baber	Coins from a client who hoped for a fortune, but they were virtually worthless.
Ken Spindler	Type Coins from Japan
Phil Centman	Wildlife Coins series set = one yet to complete the set.
Al Baber	Japanese Coinage and its circulation
Kay Lenker	Advertisement from Heritage displaying Gold Coins, and recently awarded Baber Best in Show Medal
Les Peich	Material from 1935-36 San Diego Exposition

Mike Shaw Three medals awarded by Viceroy of India to a Sergeant volunteer of the Railway Rifles.

Dorothy Baber One of the newly issued Quarters, honoring the State of Delaware, the first state to enter the Union..

Pat Hook Christmas ornaments of the White House

Vernon Reed Proof 69 Silver Kennedy 50 cent piece, and 3 SBA's in Proof 70 - No finer known!

Jay Shirley was the winner of the 17 Silver quarters, and Tom Fitzgeralds name was drawn for the goodie jar.

The Jones brothers were also responsible for the delicious cake that was served to those attending. Shane Fogarty was the big winner tonight, taking away 3 of the prizes on the drawing.

MARCH RAFFLE.....

1. 1900 Silver Dollar
2-D "Abe Kosoff Remembers"
3-D 1978 First Day Cover
4. 1865 Mexico Gold Token
5-D 1996 Peninsula Coin Club Medal
6. 1974-D Ike Dollar
7. 1998 Mexico Ounce
8-D 1997 ANA Badge
9. 1780 Austrian Thaler
10-D Video Tape - Money Story
11. 1945 2 1/2 Peso Gold
12. 1999 Silver Eagle
13-D Silver Canada 3 coins
14. 1979 Mexico Ounce
15-D 1999 Monthly Calendar Planner

Donations: Dorothy and Al Baber, Jim Hunt
Craig Watanabe and John Stadnyk

ODD USES FOR COINS....

by Gerald Tebben
for 'Money Talks' A.N.A.

What's a coin good for besides spending? How about serving as a symbol of love, a teething ring, or maybe as a cure for a dreaded disease---or to ward off witches.

Over the centuries, coins have served many more functions than mere economic ones!

"Love tokens" were popular a hundred years ago--and they're prized by collectors today for their beauty and sentiment. In the 1800's, a beau would commission a jeweler to shave off the back of a coin and re-engrave it with his true love's initials--or maybe a heart, or some other fancy design.

These same beaus, now married and settled down, might have given their babies silver dollars as teething rings. It's not unusual to find silver-dollar coins punched with holes, and attached to a cord. The cord was used to attach the coin to the baby's clothes. Large coins were used for safety reasons--they were too big to be swallowed.

"Touch Pieces" were credited with cures from ancient times through the 1700's. Some people believed kings could cure them--either by touching them directly, or with a coin that had the King's portrait on it. In England, a gold coin that showed St. Michael defeating Satan was a popular 'touch piece' for centuries. The coin took on the powers of an amulet or charm. The afflicted person wore the coin around his neck until he was cured--or until he died of the disease!

In Colonial America, one popular belief was that a coin, especially a Massachusetts shilling, showing a pine tree--would ward off witches. The coins were bent in two, and worn around the neck--or nailed to the rafters of houses to protect the dwelling. And since few witches remain in New England today--using bent coins to ward off the evil must have been pretty effective!

HELP FOR THE BULLETIN.....

A couple of months ago, Chuck Luce introduced a 50/50 (or call it half and half) drawing, selling chances for $1.00 each. HALF of the money collected would go to help pay for cost of publishing the Bulletin, and the other half went to the person with the winning ticket. One evening, the winner picked up $14.00..... We will not be doing this every month ..only occasionally.... so if you feel lucky, get a chance (or two) for the 50/50 drawing at the next meeting...

WE HOPE YOU PAID YOUR $6.00 DUES --- **IF....** YOU CANNOT MAKE IT TO THE NEXT MEETING.... JUST MAIL IT TO KAY AT THE ADDRESS ON THE BACK OF THIS BULLETIN...

THIS YEAR'S COINARAMA MEDAL - The Berlin Airlift 50th Anniversary, has received a lot of publicity and as a result, the regular order of 70, is about to be sold out, so IF you are planning on buying a set, and are not on the regular subscription list, you had better let Medal Chairman Dorothy know that you want one.

Next Meeting:

TUESDAY, MARCH 2ND

SPEAKER AL BABER

INDIAN HEAD CENTS

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Gold Stars mark World War II losses, 1943

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WHAT THE MAILMAN BROUGHT.....

"To Dorothy and Al.

Thanks for all your efforts on behalf of our club (SDNS) and numismatics in general. I'm amazed at your energy and determination, Dorothy.
It's a tough job being editor - take it from one who has been editor of three county newspapers
I don't know how you've done it all these years but I know you're greatly appreciated and admired.

Thanks for being there and standing in the gap when duty calls....."

Thanks to you, Rex Salmon, for these kind words....

Editor and spouse.....

RAFFLE PRIZES

1. 1959 Proof set
2.D 1991 Isle of Man Crown
3. 1780 Austrian crown
4.D 47-S, 75-S U.S. cents
5. 1964 Two Kennedy half dollars
6. 1886 Silver Dollar
7.D 1957-1992 Sacramento Club Medal
8. 1615-1965 Taos New Mexico Medal
9. 1945 Two Peso Gold
10. 1998 Mexico Onza

Donations: Al and Dorothy Baber; John Stadnyk

CALENDAR OF EVENTS....

APR 4 Don't Forget to re-set your clocks !!!

APR 6 Regular Meeting - Bring your FAVORITE NUMISMATIC WHATEVER....
Hostess: Ginny Bourke
Coin: Buffalo Nickel -

May 1 SDCICNC Meeting - delegates to be notified

May 2 Heartland Coin Club Show - El Cajon CA

May 4 - Regular Meeting -
Speaker - Jim Hunt
Hostess - Jean Luce
Coin - not yet declared....

(Guess you notice that the faithful typewriter is still working, even though the computer chose to let me down....)

SACRAMENTO!

For those of you who didn't get to the Sacramento A.N.A. Spring Show, let me say that it was BUSY at registration from the time the doors opened daily, until 2:30 P.. on Sunday

On Saturday, there were 4,200 persons registered in the 9 hour period, which was the most ever registered on any one day in the history of ANA conventions. At one time, the line extended out the door of the Hall. Total registration for this short show was just under 10,000, which was only 1,000 less than registration at the Summer show in Portland.

Both Al and I directed traffic for literally hours, - in fact, there were only a few times when there was no line at all.

Jim and Peggy Parker drove down from Bend Oregon, and we had a nice visit with them. They were only there for Saturday, and were sorry to miss the Hunts and Chuck Luce. Though they reminded us that it has been 7 years since they moved up there, it doesn't seem like it.

Though Peggy may be retiring this year, it doesn't mean they will make frequent trips to San Diego. Jim is very involved in his car wash, and his new hobby, raising llamas!

MEETING NOTES.....

There were 18 members present at the March meeting, with David Nichols as guest. In Secretary Kays absence, Ken Spindler was asked to take the minutes. David and wife Nancee are in charge of the 'Coins for Kids' program this year, and the collection box was available for all donations. Members were urged to bring their 'unwanted' items for this collection.

Treasurer's report was read by Jim Hunt, indicating that the Society is in good hands; report was approved with no corrections.

Chuck Luce ran a 50/50 drawing, which is conducted to help defray the expenses of the Bulletin. There was $25. taken in, half that going to the winner, Ginny Bourke, and the other half to Dorothy. It was decided to do this only periodically....

Dorothy announced that new dates had been selected for the Golden State Coin Show - August 28/29, in Arcadia, CA - More information will be available at a later date.

Educational Certificates were presented to Al Baber for his talk at the Installation Dinner - Collecting Copper Coins, and to Everett Jones, on Chinese New Year Coins, and David Jones for his presentation on Japanese Coinage.

It has been reported Les Peich's wife, Florence, who often accompanies Les to the meetings, is hospitalized and not doing very well. Best wishes are extended to Flo..

April meeting has no scheduled speaker, so members are asked to bring 'their favorite coin', or favorite 'anything' Coin of the of the month will be Buffalo Nickel, with readable date, and Hostess will be Ginny Bourke. Vernon urged members to begin thinking about exhibits for the San Diego Exposition, that they could then enter in the Coinarama Exhibits.

Show 'n Tell.

Mike Shaw — Two Indian Princely States Medals - one from Bahawalpur and the other from Hyderabad.

Jack Hook — First Annual Betty Young Award from Oceanside Carlsbad Coin Club, which was awarded to him.

Everett Jones Purchases from Long Beach Exposition - a number of Chop-marked coins. Everett has been persuaded to resurrect the Chop Mark Club - see him for details.

Roger Sullivan A U.S. Navy Good Conduct Medal, He had done a l lot of research on this medal, and recently received a copy of a commendation of the serviceman whose name is on the medal he has. He will attempt to find the man's surviving family members to see if they would like the medal

Jim Hunt Dolly Madison Commemorative Dollar - this is the first and only U.S. coin designed by a private company - Tiffany and Co, and their log appears on both sides of the coin.

Dorothy Baber 1985 Wooden Token which was actually crafted from a vertical slice of a tree branch, bark still attached., which commemorates the Boone County Sesquicentennial in Belvidere Illinois

Al Baber was tonight's speaker, on the subject of Indian Head Cents. Al brought his collection of mostly uncirculated Flying Eagle and Indian cents, which he completed around 1957, except for his 'holey' 1856 which he acquired in 1970 He also brought medallic art medals commemorating Longacre and the flying eagle design, a beautiful transition cent, a planchet and his favorite books covering these coins.

Refreshments, brownies and Ice cream, were furnished and served by Wayne Dickey.

There were 15 door prizes for members to share, and a red-letter day was reached when Al Baber won a 2 1/2 Peso Gold coin...BECAUSE as long as he has been in the hobby, and as many tickets as he has purchased over the years, tonight's prize was the first time he has ever claimed a gold prize!!!!

(SINCERE thanks to Ken for doing the Secretarial duties....he did outstanding minutes.... Dorothy)

Don't forget to change your clocks on Saturday night --April 4th - SPRING Forward.....

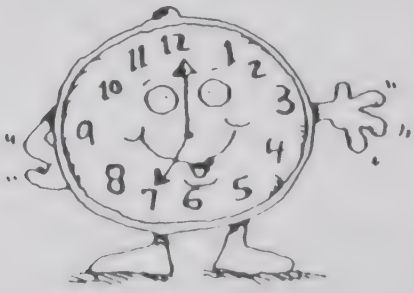
The CSNA Symposium in Fullerton on March 20 was quite well attended, and in fact, there were more there for lunch than there have been in quite some time.

Speakers Bob Hoge, ANA Curator, Bill Spengler noted numismatist from Colo. Springs, Nawana Ritenbriker, ANA Librarian, and David Pickens Marketing Director of U.S. Mint were supurb in their presentations.

Mr. Pickens had been sent in place of Philip Diehl, U.S. Mint Director, and the crowd felt that we were fortunate that Mr. Diehl had other plans and we had the better deal. He tells us that the Mint strikes over 400 tons of cents annually, andhe is still trying to figure out where they all go.

ANA Directors Kay Lenker and Helen Carmody-Lebo made Presidential Awards on behalf of ANA President Anthony Swiatek to SDNS members Joyce and Lee Kuntz, and to Ethel Lenhert.

It happened to be Al (Baber) 80th birthday on the 20th, and he received a card signed by attendees, and a hearty Birthday song.



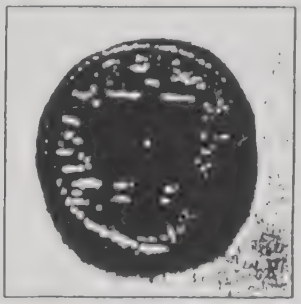
Daylight Saving Time

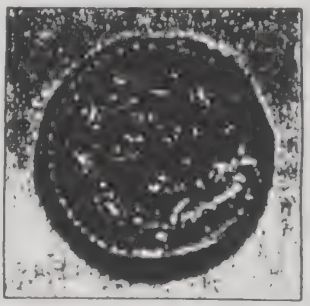
PASSOVER.....By David Vagi

April 6th begins the Jewish holy days of Passover. Jews around the world will sit down to a special dinner, called the Seder, to commemorate one of the most momentous events in their history...the Exodus.

The Bible tells us that more than 3,000 years ago, God commanded Moses to tell the Egyptian Pharaoh to let the Israelites go and allow them to return to the Promised Land. When the Pharaoh refused, the Jews were told by Moses to sacrifice a lamb and smear its blood on their door posts - a sign that it was a Jewish home. That evening, an angel entered the homes of the Egyptians and killed the eldest son in each household. Late that same night, Moses was told to take his people and leave Egypt immediately.

In an old Jewish song of the Passover, a reference is made to one of the most prolific of all Jewish coins. The song's lyrics include the line, "One sheep, one sheep, my father bought one sheep for two zuzim."





The word zuzim is a Rabbinic name mentioned in the Talmud. It refers to a silver coin, about the size of our dime, that was made during the Bar Kochba revolt of 132-135AD. when the Jews fought to oust their Roman rulers. The Bar Kochba coins are often crude in appearance, because they were made by striking over Roman coins. They're usually uneven, and part of the original Roman design still show through.

By striking their own coins over the coins of their Roman oppressors, the Jews made a statement...that they would obliterate the Roman presence and create something distinctly Jewish. The Bar Kochba coins are a living monument to the goals of the Jewish revolt. They bear patriotic inscriptions that speak of the redemption and freedom of Israel.

So even though Passover took place much earlier in history---centuries before coins were even invented - the legacy of the brave Jews who struggled against their Roman oppressors during the Bar Kochba war lives on through coins.

Courtesy of A.N.A. MONEY TALKS.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday - April 6 - 7:00 PM
Topic: My favorite or first Numismatic Item
Coin: Buffalo nickel - Readable Date !!!
Hostess: Ginny Bourke

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Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed,
Or are you just content thatyour name is on the list?
Do you attend the meeting, and mingle with the flock?
Or do you stay at home, and criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part to help the work along?
Or are you satisfied to be the kind that 'just belongs?
Do you ever go to visit a member who is sick?
Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?

There's quite a program scheduled that I'm sure you've heard about,
And we'll appreciate it if you, too, will come and help us out.
So come to the meetings often and help with hand and heart
Don't be just a member, but take an active part.

Think this over, member, you know right from wrong.
Are you an active member, or do you **just belong?**

MEETING NOTES

There were two guests at the April meeting - Herman Hanson, who is interested in meeting with currency collectors, and Gene Zoval who has come up with a unique way for collectors to 'house' the new quarters.

Following opening, President Ginny presented Al Baber with a Speakers certificate for his talk on Indian Head Cents at a recent meeting, and also had a CSNA 25 year award to give to Jim Wells.

Gene Zoval made a brief presentation on a board that he has designed and is selling for the new quarters. It is a map of the U.S. with containers for the coins and tape to attach them to the board at the proper state.

Roger made a brief statement about the Fair dates, and asked for exhibitors. The theme this year is "Transportation in Numismatics" - so this leaves it wide open for ideas. Dates this year are June 16 to July 5 - so exhibits taken to the Fair, could then be entered in the Coinarama competition. It is IMPORTANT to note that applications, with the $5 entry fee, MUST be postmarked on or before MAY 14TH, so if you are interested, contact Roger Sullivan at 280-8089 for an application.

(Editorial comment - in cleaning out files, I came across an item that stated that in 1972, Roger had 49 requests to exhibit!)

Show 'n Tell

Wayne Dickey — 'Altered' Newspaper Article on Sacramento ANA, spoofing Secretary Kay Lenker
Mike Shaw — High relief Indian Medals from Viceroy to those who performed service in 1947
Jack Hook — 10th year of American Eagles set
Ken Spindler — Tokens from Mandalay Bay Resort in Las Vegas
Jim Hunt — Red Rose from Austrian Mint, which opens to show a Ducat
Kay Lenker — Presidential Award received in Sacramento
Dorothy Baber — First numismatic item she had purchased- a lucite cube containing 1957 Proof Set
Ginny Bourke — Irradiated dimes
Jim Wells — Three 50 cent pieces dated 1861 from three governments. U.S, Louisiana, and Confederate States of America - he also had fractional currency from the same three governments.
Al Baber — Flying Eagle and Indian Head cents - with costs Many were only 3 cents each
Roger Sullivan — 10K medal Army Basketball Championship
Rex Salmon — Painting of Bouquet of flowers he did while on his honeymoon.
Everett Jones — Ancient Turtle coin

Goody jar was won by Pat Hook, and Jean Luce took away the 25 Buffalo nickels, and it was Ginny Bourke who furnished and served refreshments.

FUTURE PLANS....

We have taken care of a portion of the year, but still need help, so take a look below and fill in where you can:

Month	Speaker	Host/Hostess	Coin
May	Jim Hunt	Jean Luce	'S' Mint Mercury Dime
June	Other Hobby Night	Paul Whitnah	Ike Dollar
July	Everett Jones	.....	Standing Lib
August	H. Hanson	Rex Salmon	.....
September	~~[illegible]~~	L. Webb	Silver Dollar
October	Larry Baber	Dorothy Baber	.....
November	.....	Bob Vik	.....
December	Donation Auction	Potluck Dinner	.....

Al Baber celebrated his 80th birthday March 20th at the annual CSNA Educational Symposium in Fullerton.

Not only did he have cake to enjoy, many numismatic friends serenaded him in song.....

San Diego Numismatic lost two friends this past month - the first being Florence, the wife of Mbr Les Peich, who had been ill for sometime. Her services were held on Thursday, Apr 15th, and the following day, we attended the services of Paul Boltz, SDNS last Charter member. Paul had been living in an assisted care home for the past several years, but suffered a heart attack on Monday Apr. 11th. His original member number was #55, but he was awarded Life Mbr #13 a number of years ago. Families of both Paul and Florence are offered sympathies.

This brought up a review of status of current members, and with the passing of Paul, Lester Peich, Mbr #287 becomes the oldest in membership number. Ivah Vigneault holds the very next number - #288. They both became members in 1954.

Listed here in NUMBER order are current members:

Lester Peich	287	joining in	1954	
Ivah Vigneault	288		1954	
Roger Sullivan	504		1959	(LM 14
Kay Lenker	505		1959	(LM 12
Albert Baber	596		1960	(LM 16
Bob Vik	624		1961	
Patsy Rose	657		1961	
John Stadnyk	766		1963	
Dorothy Baber	809		1964	(LM 15
Rex Salmon	837		1964	
Jim Hunt	852		1964	
Harold Centman	858		1965	
Phil Centman	858		1965	
James Parker	885		1968	
Charles Luce	901		1969	
Sally Marx	903		1969	
Adna Wilde	908		1970	
James Hill	909		1970	
Jim Wells	911		1970	
Paul Whitnah	920		1971	
Mike Shaw	968		1980	
H. L. 'Pappy' Young	973		1981	
Larry Baber	975		1981	
Tom Fitzgerald	977		1982	
E T. Perry	990		1985	
Ellen Hunt	993		1986	
Laura Webb	1005		1987	

Martha Stevenson	1006	1987
India Jones	1010	1988
Jean Luce	1017	1990
Phil Iverson	1019	1991
Wayne Dickey	1020	1991
Jack Hook	1021	1991
Pat Hook	1022	1991
Virginia Bourke	1023	1991
Helen Carmody-Lebo	1024	1992
Floyd Murphy	1026	1992
David Smith	1028	1996
Vernon Reed	1030	1996
Bob Rittenhouse	1031	1996
Michael Fogarty	1032	1996
Shane Fogarty	1033J	1996
Jay Shirley	1034	1996
Matt Anderson	1035J	1996
Matt McDaniel	1036J	1996
Joyce Kuntz	1040	1998
Robert Myles	1041	1998
Ken Spindler	1042	1998
Dave Jones	1043	1998
Everett Jones	1044	1998
Bob Blanchard	1045	1998
Mike Stanley	1046	1998
M. Stan Turrini	1047	1998
J. T. Stanton	1048	1999
K. Robert Campbell	1049	1999
Lee Kuntz	1050	1999
Herman Hansen	1051	1999

UPCOMING EVENTS.....

May 2	Heartland Coin Show - El Cajon Masonic Temple -
May 4	Regular SDNS Meeting - Jim Hunt Speaker
May 9th	Mothers Day.....
June 1	Club's Birthday night - and Other Hobby
June 16/July 5	Del Mar Fair - Sign up to help at Information Booth.....

A PRICELESS CONFEDERATE HALF DOLLAR

By Mark Van Winkle

Sometimes the best advise is "Be careful what you ask for...you might get it.

Just after the Civil War began, the Confederate government made plans to produce its own half dollars at the mint in New Orleans. Four specially prepared coins were made and given to high-ranking Confederate officials, including President Jefferson Davis. Little thought was given to the coins during the rest of the war. But over the next hundred years, their reputation grew to legendary proportions—since they were the only legitimate half dollars struck during the years of the Confederacy.

In the 1950's, a well-known coin collector and dealer named John Ford told a friend he wanted one of the Confederate half dollars so badly that he would even mortgage his house to pay for it! In 1961, while Ford was at a coin show, a dealer offered him one of the common restrikes, or copies, of the Confederate half dollar. These had been made in the late 1870's, more than 10 years after the Civil War ended. It was 10:30 at night and Ford had been on the convention floor for 13 hours. He barely glanced at the coin, but paid the dealer's rather high asking price.

Ford immediately showed the coin to a friend who offered him a profit. Ford agreed, and the coin traded hands for the second time in less than five minutes. Later the friend told Ford that the coin was one of the four originals, not one of the common restrikes. Several weeks later, Ford repurchased the coin, at a considerably higher price - though not so high that he had to mortgage his house.!

Ford later discovered that his coin was the one Jefferson Davis had carried as a pocket piece throughout the Civil War. It was in Davis's pocket when he was captured by Union soldiers on April 16,1865

Courtesy of ANA's Money Talks

RAFFLE PRIZES.....

1. Two Peso gold
2-D Isle of Man Crown
3.D 'The Money Story'
4. U.S. Mini Currency
5. 1999 American Eagle
6. 1889 Silver Dollar
7. -D Indian Head Cent & Misc
8. Four Ike Dollars
9. D San Diego 200th Aluminum Medal
10. 1964 P & D Kennedy Halves
11-D Identification Index
12 1780 Austrian Crown
13 1998 Mexico 1 Onza
14 .999 F Silver1 oz. Bar
15 1922 D Silver Dollar
16 Ten chances on Gold Drawing

Donations: Dorothy Baber/ Al Baber/ Virginia Bourke and John Stadnyk.

May Meeting will be 'hosted' by Jean Luce, (in charge of the refreshments,) and the Speaker will be Jim Hunt, who has chosen as his topic "From California Gold Rush to San Francisco Mint' Coin of the month is an "S" Mint Mercury Dime. SO show up, and bring a friend -

AND remember, a coin club is like a wheelbarrow - not much good unless you get behind it and push! So see you there?

Next Meeting:

May 4 - 7:00 PM
Speaker: Jim Hunt - 'From California Gold Rush to San Francisco Mint"
Hostess Jean Luce
Coin: 'S' Mint Mercury Dime

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UP-DATE.....

Month	Speaker	Host/Hostess	Coin
June	Other Hobby Night	Paul Whitnah	Ike Dollar
July	Everett Jones	? ? ? ? ?	Standing Liberty Quarter
August	Herman Hanson	Rex Salmon	1930's Cent- Fine or Better
Sept.	? ? ? ? ? ?	Laura Webb	Foreign Silver (Not U.S. or Canada)
October	Larry Baber	Dorothy Baber	
Nov.	??????	Bob Vik	
Dec.	Donation Auction	Potluck Dinner	

It will just take a few more volunteers to completely fill out this schedule....

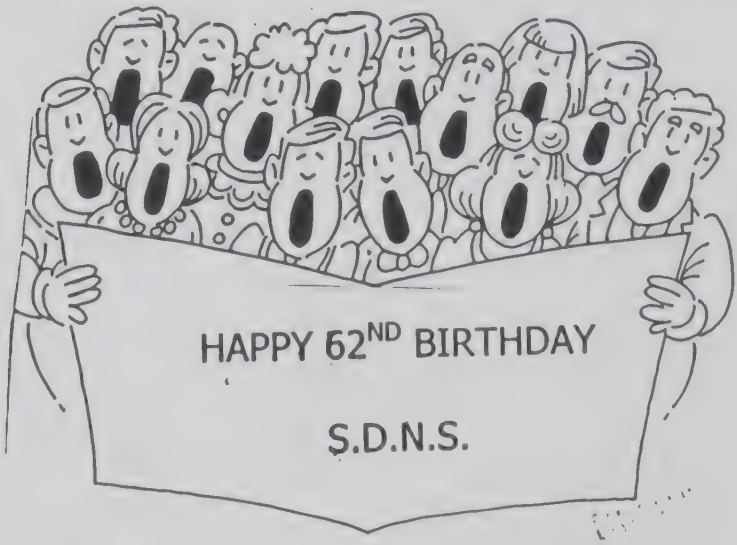
BIRTHDAY MEETING - JUNE 1ST

The 62nd Birthday of the Society will be celebrated with a birthday cake from Paul Whitnah from Texas. This has become a tradition for Paul, even though he is not here to help serve.

We have also, traditionally, had a picnic or food function, preceding the meeting, but at the last meeting in May, not very much enthusiasm was shown, so no plans are being made for a picnic.

HOWEVER, still plan on bringing your other hobby interests for this June meeting. AND if you have some special numismatic show and tell, there will probably be room for that too.

So, see you on Tuesday, June 1st with your array of interesting hobby items.....



T.A.M.S. Medal.....

The medal struck for Token and Medal Society annual meeting in Chicago in August depicts the Burlington Zephyr, the train that became known as the "Silver Streak". The first diesel-electric passenger train made its debut May 26, 1934 at which time it made the trip from Denver to Chicago in 13 hours and 5 minutes. It was retired from service in February 1960 and in May of that year was presented to the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, where it is currently on display

The 39mm medal has been struck in .999 fine silver and golden bronze, and the quantity of silver medals is limited.

Set of two may be purchased for $25. Plus $2. For shipping and handling, and $3 for the bronze alone, plus 50 cents for shipping - Contact Al Baber at 619-442-2726

NEW JERSEY:
George Washington's historic crossing of the Delaware River on his way to defeat the British at Trenton.

GEORGIA:
An outline of the state with a peach and a border of live oak sprigs, along with the state motto, "Wisdom, Justice, Moderation."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tues. June 1	Birthday meeting and Other Hobby Night
June 4/7th	Long Beach Collectible Exposition
June 16 - July 5th	Del Mar Fair.....
July 6th	Regular Meeting - Speaker Everett Jones
July 10th/11th	ANNUAL COINARAMA - SCOTTISH RITE CENTER

CORRECTION - In last months listing of members, Mbr 1038, Terry Cruggs, was not listed. Sorry , Terry.....

SUNDAY May 23rd was quite a day around the Baber household. Husband Al suffered a heart attack, and was rushed to the hospital by the paramedics. He came home on Wednesday, and says he is totally 'washed out' Surgery is not an option for him, so just takes it a little easier.

ALSO got a call from Harvey Rose, who had put wife Patsy in a hospital in Las Vegas with some internal problems. He tells me now it was an intestinal infection; she should be released by the end of the week, and perhaps headed for home by the first of the week...

NEW WOODEN ISSUE - if you are interested in a 'copy', let me know and I will check it out with CSNA President Bill Grant.

MEETING NOTES

The Society's May 4th meeting gained a new member - Herman Hanson - #1051, and he has volunteered to be the speaker at the August meeting.

Kay Lenker reported on the Golden State Coin Show - it will be held August 27/29, in Arcadia at the Masonic Temple.

Picnic for June was discussed, but there was not much interest. The birthday cake will be furnished by Texas member, Paul Whitnah.

Jim Hunt's talk on California Gold Rush was quite interesting, telling of private coinage before Mints were established. He was presented with an ANA speaker's certificate.

Show 'n Tell...

Kay Lenker Copy of COINage Magazine, showing 1999 Proof coin packaging

Les Peich Error cents 1917 to 1943

Jim Hunt Small gold piece 10 Escudos 1986

John Stadnyk New Canadian Dollars - 1oz. Silver

Al Baber Franklin Mint and 99 Company First Day covers and calling cards

Herman Hanson Propaganda Notes Saddam Hussein - Saudi Arabia, printed by U. S. Information Agency

Northern California member, Mike Stanley's name was drawn for the goodie jar, with Jean Luce taking the consolation prize.

Chuck and Jean Luce furnished the refreshments - Home grown berries served with pound cake and ice cream! ! !

Claremont California member Joyce Kuntz had extensive surgery on her foot recently - though she is in quite a bit of pain, she hopes the surgery takes care of her problem. Get well, soon, all the ailing members....

JUNE RAFFLE PRIZES....

1. Four Ike Dollars
2. Mexico Gold Token
3. 1998 Mexico 1 Oz.
4. D- 1914-S Nickel and Tokens
5. 1889 Silver Dollar
6. 1991 Bill of Rights Round
7. Gold Raffle Tickets
8. D- 1952 ANA Silver Round
9. D- 1991 Isle of Man Coin
10. 1923-S Silver Dollar
11. D - Coin Club Medal
12. 1945 Two Peso Gold
13. 1972-D Ike Dollar
14. 1780 Austrian Thaler
15. 1883 Silver Dollar

Donations: John Stadnyk; Ginny Bourke;
Al and Dorothy Baber

PLEA..... I have a friend who usually orders a proof set for each of her grandchildren. This year the order blank limits two to a customer. Is there anyone of you who receives order blanks and does not plan on using them? Let me know if you can help. She needs 3 more. Editor

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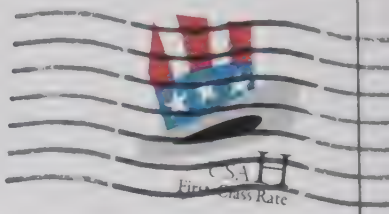

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 4 - Independence Day Celebration

July 6 Tuesday - SDNS Regular Meeting
Speaker - Everett Jones
Hostess - Kay Lenker

COINARAMA:
July 10th 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
July 11 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Scottish Rite Memorial Center.....
Auction Saturday 5:00 PM

August 3 Regular Meeting - Herman Hanson Spkr
Host: - Rex Salmon

Aug. 11 - 15 American Numismatic Assn Annual Convention - Rosemont Convention Center Chicago IL

REPORT FROM PARKERS....

On the E-mail this week, your Editor heard from Jim Parker, reporting that Peggy had a severe stroke on June 7th. She was also being treated for respiratory infection. She is in a skilled nursing facility in Redmond and hopes to be moved to a rehab center in Bend OR to start therapy. She has suffered paralysis on the left side, but her speech is fairly good. Jim said to be sure and say 'hi' to all his coin friends. Please send cards to Peggy at P. O. Box 923, Sisters OR 97759

MEETING NOTES

The June 1st meeting had 21 members, and Les Peich's son and Grandson - Roy and Eric. Following reading of Treasurer's report, announcements were made about both the upcoming Long Beach show, and annual COINARAMA for July 10th and 11th. Dorothy reported that American Numismatic Association convention is to be held in Chicago this year, and two or our SDNS members, Larry Baber and Jim Hunt, plan on participating in the annual World's Fair of Numismatics.

President Ginny read a program describing the history of the San Diego Numismatic Society from the 25th Anniversary Program. Past Presidents of the Society were recognized.

Chuck Luce reported that Jack Hook had contacted him just after they left on their vacation, stating that Pat had undergone heart surgery in Billings Montana. Vacation is cut short, and Pat will be flying home next week.

There were eight Ike dollars in the coin of the month, and winner was Chuck Luce.

There was no speaker as program was Other Hobby night, and Birthday night. Other hobbies included:

Roger Sullivans extensive collection of love tokens in various forms of jewelry: Kay Lenkers models of light houses. Dorothy Baber brought examples of canning and sold them as donation to treasury. Al Baber had functional key chains, and newest member, Herbert Hanson, had Christmas and Easter seal stamps. Les Peich called his exhibit 'STUFF' and it included a number of things, ie, Indian artifacts, pitch pipe, Indian grass chain, cigarette lighters, to name just a few. Everett displayed interesting rocks he had gathered from the deserts, and Ginny's offering was small houses used as boxes. Bob Rittenhouse had a number of paintings by Mexican artists who used their fingernails to do the painting, and Phil Centman had a golden map of Age of Discovery. Roger also displayed another 'prize' -a 1939 Hoover High School Year book, autographed by Ted Williams.

The Birthday Cake was a delicious Carrot Cake, supplied by Paul Whitnah, and served by Dorothy Baber. Of the raffle prizes issued, Les Peich's grandson Eric was the luckiest - taking away four prizes.....

THE LIBERTAS AMERICANA MEDAL

BY John Kraljevich, Jr.

Monday, July 5 may be Monday, but for many people it's a welcome day off to celebrate the nation's birth and its glorious history. People across the country have spent the weekend celebrating at picnics, parades, and concerts, and by watching spectacular fireworks. But one of our founding fathers, Ben Franklin, celebrated the Fourth of July by having a famous medal made.

Ben Franklin was living in France, representing the Continental Congress, when the War for Independence ended. He wanted to commemorate the American victory and, at the same time, retain the support of our ally, France.

He commissioned the renowned French artist Augustin Dupre' to take Franklin's design and transform it into a medal. The medal was called "Libertus Americana," or "American Liberty" - and it turned out to be a masterpiece. The font side features the head of a beautiful Miss Liberty, with unbound hair flowing in the wind. Over her right shoulder is the rod of Liberty and a "pileus cap," the symbol of freedom from slavery since Roman times. At the bottom is the date JULY 4, 1776. This design most certainly inspired America's first coins, the 1793 cent and half cent.

The medal's reverse side shows an allegorical scene. The infant Hercules- representing the infant nation, America-is shielded from the British lion by the goddess Minerva, representing France. In Hercules' infant hands are two crushed snakes, representing the recently defeated British armies.

The medals were made in bronze, silver and gold. The two gold medals were given to King Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette. They were apparently destroyed during the French Revolution. About 50 silver medals were given by Franklin to high-ranking French and American officials. About 500 were made in bronze; these were given to Franklin's personal friends and to George Washington, to give to his best soldiers. So all the medals that exist today were once handled by Ben Franklin.

Courtesy of ANA 'Money Talks'

TRIVIA

A couple of years ago there was a display of large fruit - with Dorothy Baber and Jack Hook comparing oranges and apples. This year the Babers have a volunteer cherry tomato vine in their yard that beats all.... It is at least 9 foot tall, spreads across by nearly ten foot, and extends over the sidewalk by at least 7 feet. It has a tall tomato frame over it, but the weight of the vine toppled that, so it is now propped up with a 5 ft stake, pounded into the ground. It has yet to produce any ripened tomatoes, but when they do come off, there will be plenty to share.

COMING UP NEXT MEETING....

Everett Jones will provide the program, and his topic is " Voyage to the Moon on Coins"- Kay Lenker has volunteered to offer Refreshments, and the Coin of the Month is the Standing Liberty Quarter.

So, we'll see you on Tuesday, July 6th, at 7:00 PM -Bring a friend

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JULY RAFFLE....

1. 1880-O Silver Dollar
2. -D Two bronze club medals
3. 1999 Silver Maple Leaf
4. 1879 Silver Dollar
5. 1999 Silver Eagle
6. D Three Canadian Coins
7. 1789 Austrian Crown
8. 1945 Two Peso Gold
9. 1921 Silver Dollar
10. D A.N.A. Key Ring
11. 1998 Mexico Oz.
12. D 1982 Half Dollar - Unc

Donations by John Stadnyk, Dorothy Baber and Al Baber

FAIR WINNERS from S.D.N.S.

SDNS President Ginny Bourke was the winner of the Theme prize this year - Entitled '*VARIOUS METHODS OF TRANSPORTATION DEPICTED ON COINS AND MEDALS....*'

Ken Spindler took a second place with '*Transportation Themes on Coins Around the World*'
Both Chuck and Jean Luce took a third place with their exhibits on Transportation tokens as well.
Kay Lenker had submitted two non-competitive exhibits, as did Oceanside Carlsbad Coin Club Club and Convair Coineers.

The area where the exhibits were displayed this year was a little remote and traffic was not heavy, and once the evening show began, the peace and quiet was shattered! ! It was nice and bright, however, and on the day the Babers were at the information booth, there was a cake baking contest, and following the judging, the cakes were passed around to the workers....

Next Meeting:

NEXT MEETING: July 6, 7:00 PM
Everett Jones "Voyage to the Moon on Coins"
Hostess: Kay Lenker
Coin: Standing Liberty Quarter

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HOT OFF THE PRESS

CONGRATULATIONS

The following nominees are the ones who were elected to serve as officers of the American Numismatic Association for the next two years, and will be installed at the Banquet in Chicago in August.

President and Vice President were un-opposed, so SDNS members Bob Campbell, SDNS Mbr 1049, is the new President, and Helen Carmody-Lebo SDNS Mbr 1024 was elected as Vice President.

The seven elected as Board members are:

Kay Lenker, SDNS Life Member LM 12

Tom Hallenbeck	Patti Jagger
Gary Lewis	John Wilson
Anthony Swiatek	Alan Herbert

Patti didn't re-new her membership in SDNS when she moved back East, but we still consider her one of 'ours' as we do Kay, Bob and Helen....

Thirty percent of the ANA members returned their ballots, in comparison to only 17% for the 1997 election.....

COINARAMA.....

A lot of information will be reported in the COUNCIL bulletin, but to report here, Kay Lenker was the winner of the BEST IN SHOW award for her exhibit on SCHAUTALERS - RELIEF OF VIENNA - 1683.
IF other SDNS members were winners, you will hear about it from Kay. There were 40 persons attending breakfast at Denny's in Mission Valley, and awards were made at the Scottish Rite Temple prior to opening of the Bourse Floor.

For the first time in a LONG time, the silver Coinarama medals were all sold before the end of Coinarama. There were 70 silver ordered this year, more than the past few years, and Chuck Luce's design, the Berlin Airlift, was quite popular and SOLD OUT rapidly. There are, however, a number of the bronze, copper and anodized bronze for sale, so let Medal Chairman Dorothy know and you can purchase some....

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THE LINCOLN CENT'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

by Bill Jones

The Lincoln Penny was first issued on August 2, 1909 to an enthusiastic public. Before the Mint released the new pennies, everyone was excited about the coin that commemorated the hundredth anniversary of Lincoln's birth. And even though the treasury stockpiled millions of Lincoln cents before their release - they couldn't get the coins into circulation fast enough.

Newsboys did a brisk business that first day, selling the new coins for as much as five cents each!

The Lincoln penny was President Theodore Roosevelt's pet project. In 1907, Roosevelt was posing for artist Victor David Brenner. During their conversations, Brenner mentioned he was working on several Lincoln projects-and he showed the President a plaque and a medal he had completed. Roosevelt became enthusiastic about the possibility of using the Lincoln portrait on a coin, and the Lincoln cent blossomed from there.

The new coin featured a profile of Lincoln that was based on a Matthew Brady photograph. The back of the coin featured two shafts of wheat that partially encircled the words ONE CENT and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The first examples of the coin had the artist's initials, VDB, at the bottom of the reverse side. But even though the initials were not obtrusive, people objected to them-and the initials were removed just a month later. It created two varieties of the 1909 Lincoln pennies that were made at the Philadelphia and San Francisco mints. The San Francisco Mint produced a small number of cents with the initials, resulting in the famous 1909-S VDB Lincoln cent-S

for San Francisco Mint. Today, this penny is worth several hundred dollars, depending upon its condition.

Brenner's initials were restored to the coin in 1918. This time, the letters VDB were placed under Lincoln's shoulder and were almost too small to be seen.

Courtesy of A.N.A.
'Money Talks'

CALENDAR OF EVENTS.....

August 3rd Regular Meeting - 7:00 PM
Speaker: Herman Hanson
Foreign Currency
Host Rex Salmon
Coin 1930 Lincoln Cent -Fine or Better

Aug. 7th SDCICNC Quarterly Meeting -
Representatives are notified

Aug. 12th to 15th American Numismatic Association
108th Anniversary meeting - Chicago IL

Aug. 28th/29th Golden State Coin Show - Arcadia CA
Masonic Temple - Kay Lenker,
Gen'l Chairman

Sept 7th Regular Meeting -
Speaker: NONE at the moment
Hostess Laura Webb
Coin: Foreign Silver -Not U.S. or Canada

AUGUST RAFFLE PRIZES

1. 1921 Silver Dollar
2. 1780 Austrian Thaler
3. D- British Columbia Canada Medal
4. 1991 Washington Half Dollar
5. 1999 Silver Maple Leaf
6. 1999 Silver Eagle
7. 1945 Two Peso Gold
8. D-1975 PNC
9. Mt. Rushmore Medal Set
10. 1973 Silver Oklahoma Medal
11. D-1987 Canada $ and Misc
12. 1955-S Cent and Dime
13. 1982 British Mint Set
14. 1998 Mexico 1 oz.
15. 1986 U.S. Liberty Half Dollar
16. 1923-S Silver Dollar

Donations: Al and Dorothy Baber, John Stadnyk

M o n e y.....

Workers earn it - spendthrifts burn it;
Bankers lend it - women spend it;
Forgers fake it - taxes take it;
Dying leaves it - heirs receive it;
Thrifty save it - misers crave it;
Robbers seize it - rich increase it;
Gamblers lose it - I could use it;
I'm a Coin Collector.....

JULY MEETING NOTES

There was one guest at the 740th meeting of S.D.N.S. - Gary Sullivan. He had recently joined the Heartland Coin Club - perhaps he will do the same with SDNS.

Correspondence included the first issue of the CSNA Communique, a new publication edited by CSNA's Vice President Ruth Phillips, a newsletter that will be published by CSNA every other month - to keep members informed of statewide activities of CSNA. CALCOIN NEWS is a quarterly publication, and this will be more frequent. It has not been determined yet if copies will be sent to each member, or distributed at the coin meetings....

A note was read about Peggy Parker, who had recently suffered a stroke. It was hoped that she would be released from the hospital and into a rehab unit within a few weeks.

Speaker Everett Jones spoke about COINS IN SPACE. He told of the 30th anniversary of the moon landing, and the issuance of coins by many countries, most of which were issued by communist nations.

SHOW 'N TELL

Ginny Bourke - the new TAMS medal- 1934 Burlington Zephyr

Al Baber - Franklin Mint medal made from silver that had traveled to the Moon.

Chuck Luce - Three rolled cents, from the Del Mar Fair

Roger Sullivan - a new acquisition - a Purple Heart Medal

Mike Shaw - Indian medals of a Bengal Army against the British suppression.

Vernon Reed - tale of a recent purchase of a 1907 cash register and the coins and paper money he is collecting of that period to put in the cash register.

Dorothy Baber - Proof quarter set of 25 cent pieces for 1999 and many small type pins of ANA.

John Stadnyk - Eight Apollo medals from the National Commemorative set

Jim Wells - a Gold 1849 Dollar (which one could look at, but not really handle!)

There were 14 Standing Liberty quarters that were won by Les Peich, and Ellen Hunt took possession of the Goodie Jar. Refreshments were furnished and served by Kay Lenker.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday - Aug 3, 1999 - 7:00 P.M.
Speaker: Herman Hanson
Topic: Foreign Currency
Host Rex Salmon
Coin: 1930's cent - Fine or Better

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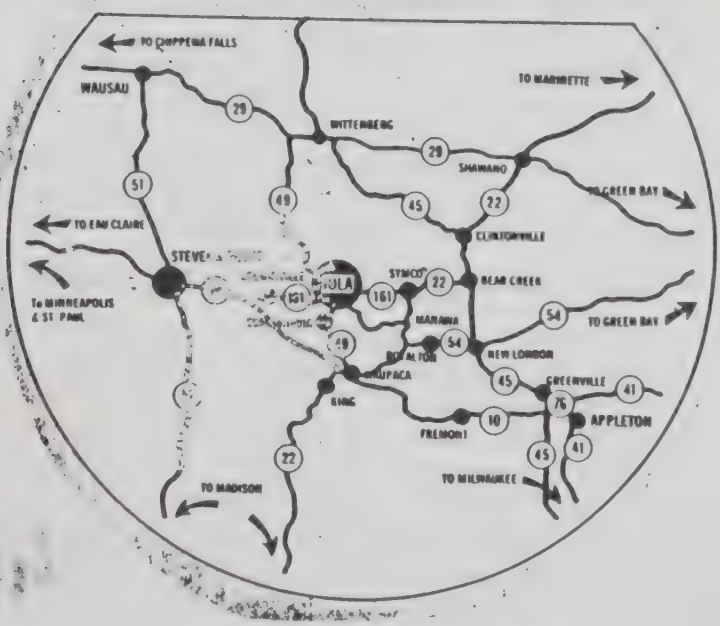
Where's Iola, Wisconsin?



WHERE'S IOLA, WISCONSIN?

Iola, Wisconsin, is approximately 275 miles north of Chicago IL, where the 108th A.N.A. convention was held in mid-August, and about one hundred numismatists took a very special four-car train from Schiller Park in Chicago, to Wapaca, WI, a village about 15-20 miles from Iola. There were many more than 100 attending this special trip, but this is about the 100 or so who were on the train.

We were all the guests of Krause Publications, which prints Numismatic News, as well as about 400 other hobby publications. It was Numismatic news, however, that was Chet Krause's first venture in the publishing business, in 1952. There were a number of SDNS members among the train passengers and we all agree it is hard to find the words to describe this fantastic finish to the ANA convention. The trip took about 7 hours as were put on a siding a couple of times to allow scheduled freight trains to use the rails. (The return trip took less time, as we were not side-lined)

There were four very fancy cars to this train, including an observation car, dining car, 'baggage' car and private compartments in each of these cars but the baggage car. Food and drink (open bar) was served both on the trip to Wapaca and on the return trip to Chicago on Tuesday morning. There were kitchens in two of the cars, and the service was impeccable! There were several Krause staff on the train, seeing to our every need - Cliff Mishler and Chet Krause, along with Jackie Baldwin, who orchestrated earlier reservations, were kept busy.

There were a number of the A.N.A. staff who were unable to leave the convention site at the 1:30 PM departure time, so a charter bus brought nearly a dozen more to Wapaca on Sunday night, and some of those made the return trip on Tuesday morning.

Monday AM we were given tours of the Krause Plant, which covers quite a large area. (We have visited Iola in the past, and were amazed to see how it has grown) Following lunch, guests had an opportunity to participate in one of several different activities -fishing, golf, boat ride on the lakes, tour of a brewery, and a tour of Chet's antique car collection. Again, we were served a delicious dinner on the property, and then we were all bussed back to our respective lodgings. We had an early morning departure on the train to return to Chicago. Many of the visitors caught planes out of Wapaca and Stevens Point instead of taking the train back.

Krause not only issued a 'neat' silver medal commemorating the train ride, but as we checked in at the plant in the morning,, we each received another silver medal, commemorating 'A Day in the Country."

Needless to say, it is a trip we will be talking about for a very long time!

RAFFLE PRIZES

1. 1945 2 ½ Peso Gold
2. 1986 Unc. Half Dollar
3. D - Medal- Native Sons of America
4. 1999 American Silver Eagle
5. 1999 Silver Maple Leaf
6. 1925 Silver Dollar
7. 1871-1971 Canadian Medal
8. 1990 Gibraltar Crown
9. 1879 Silver Dollar
10. 1998 Mexico Onza
11. D A.N.A. Miscellaneous
12. 1999F/M Proof Medal
13. 1871-D Ike Dollar
14. Rolled 1999 New Jersey Quarter
15. 1865 Mexico Gold Token

Donations: Al Baber and Dorothy Baber

One of our more recent members, Mike Stanley from Northern California, has offered to furnish refreshments for a Society meeting, even though he cannot attend due to the distance. Thanks, Mike - we will schedule you as HOST at the October meeting....

A.N.A. highlights from your Editor.....

It was a busy week in Illinois, at this 108th Annual Convention. It is reported that there were nearly 10,000 in attendance, but it was a lot less hectic registration for me than the two previous A.N.A. shows where the figures were just slightly higher than this year.

Larry (Baber) and Jim Hunt were participants in the World Series of Numismatics, and made it to the final round, but it seems they just weren't quick enough on the buzzer to ring in and answer the questions.

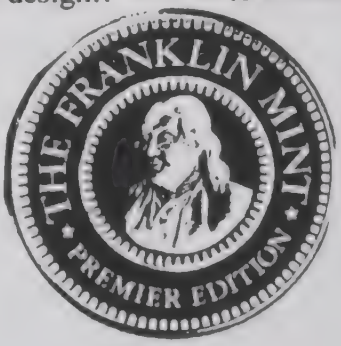
Two SDNS members who came away with awards were Tom Fitzgerald, who received the Glenn Smedley Memorial Award, and Mike Stanley received the Medal of Merit as well as being named top Membership Recruiter.

The Numismatic Theater continues to offer outstanding programs by noted authors and lecturers - in fact, one could take a brown bag lunch and spend several full day(s) in the theater - free education about all aspects of the hobby.

At the TAMS Banquet on Thursday, I received a set of the TAMS assemblage, set in plastic which is compensation for submitting the accepted design. This year it was the Burlington Zephyr - first diesel operated train - Denver to Chicago in 1934.

Visited with former member Russell Rulau (now a resident of Iola WI) and wife Darlene, while at the 'Day in the Country'. He had with him his latest book - 3rd edition of United States Tokens - 1700 to 1900. and as he left, he autographed the edition and gave it Al and I.

Franklin Mint struck both silver and bronze medals for this ANA show. Bronze medals were issued to public, and those attending the banquet received a 1 oz silver medal of the same design.. thanks to Howard Blumenthal, Director of Minting....



COMING EVENTS.....

Sept 7	Regular meeting: 7:00 PM Chuck Luce - Bust Halves Laura Webb Hostess Coin Foreign Silver (Not Mexico or Canada)
Sept 22-26	Long Beach Coin & Collectible Show Long Beach Convention Center FREE admission if you carry Membership Card
Oct 5	Regular meeting 7:00 P.M. Speaker Larry Baber Host: Mike Stanley Coin: to be determined

PRAYER FOR SENILITY

Now that I am older, here's what I've discovered:

My wild oats have turned to prunes and All Bran
I finally got my head together, now my body is falling apart.
Funny, I don't remember being absent minded
All reports are in. Life is now officially unfair....
It is easier to get older than it is to get wiser.
I wish the buck stopped here. I sure could use a few
Kids in the back seat cause accidents; accidents in the back seat cause kids.
It's hart to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
Only time the world beats a path to your door is if you're in the bathroom.
If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would have put them on my knees.
When I'm finally holding all the cards, why does everyone decide to play chess?
It's not hard to meet expenses...they're everywhere.
The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.....

AUGUST MEETING NOTES.....

There was one new guest at the August meeting - Al Harn, and Les Peich's son Roy, and Grandson Eric became members 1051 J, and 1052. Eric has been rather lucky in the monthly drawing,

Vernon Reed presented Coinarama Exhibit awards to Jim Hunt and to Jim Wells. Council President Jim Hunt had the spare Coinarama Medal set on display. Tickets will be issued to each club, and the set will be awarded at the November meeting of the Council The club will get to retain the $50 received for sale of tickets.

Jim also reported that he had recently purchased a book published by Coin World - Consumer's Guide to Coin Collecting, which he heartily endorses.

Les Peich had an uncirculated set of the five quarters, and part of the legend was missing. Oddly enough, neither Les nor Roy noticed it, but daughter-in-law, who is not a collector, spotted it right away.

Herman Hanson discussed PAPER MONEY, and had quite a few books on the subject; and volumes of paper money. Most of his display was foreign currency, , but there was some U.S. as well.

Sharing were:

Mike Shaw - British medal specimen strikes for campaigns.
Al Baber - U. S. Mint sets - received in only 7 days.
Jim Hunt - Coinarama photos
Dorothy Baber - Catalog for GSCS Y/N Auction
Les Peich - Error 25 cent set

Al Baber collected the Goodie Jar, but it was Eric Peich who claimed 21 1930 cents!

Rex Salmon, host, had Ice Cream sundaes, or Root Beer Floats - members took their choice.

P.S. Patti Jagger re-joined SDNS. She had been moving around for the past several months, and her mail had not caught up with her.....Now a member in good standing..

GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW

Masonic Temple Arcadia CA

Attendance was more than expected, and dealers seemed to be quite pleased with the location/ hall/ free parking/ all told - everything was great.
In fact, plans have been made to use this facility for the next five years - so if you want to mark your calendar - put Aug. 26/27 down for 2000

SDNS members bringing home Exhibit awards were:

Kay Lenker	2nd place	Schautalers
Phil Iversen	Best of Exonumia and 1st for	
		Panama Railroad Company
	1st	Statue of Liberty Comm.
Jim Wells	1st place	America's Smallest Coins
Tom Fitzgerald	CSNA Baber Best of Show, and a 1st place for	
	'Selected Gold Coins issued by the Popes - 1417-1998'	

Both Kay Lenker and Ginny Bourke were winners of some of the 35 gold coins.

Dorothy and Al Baber were privileged to make a Krause Publication Numismatic Ambassador award to William J. (Bill) Grant, CSNA President, at the banquet on Saturday night.

FUTURE CSNA

Terry Woodward, CSNA Librarian, and Gen'l Chairman for the next CSNA convention, gave a report at the Board meeting in Arcadia. This 106th Semi-Annual CSNA convention will be held in Modesto CA on Febr 19th and 20th, 2000. SO plan ahead..... mark you calendars.

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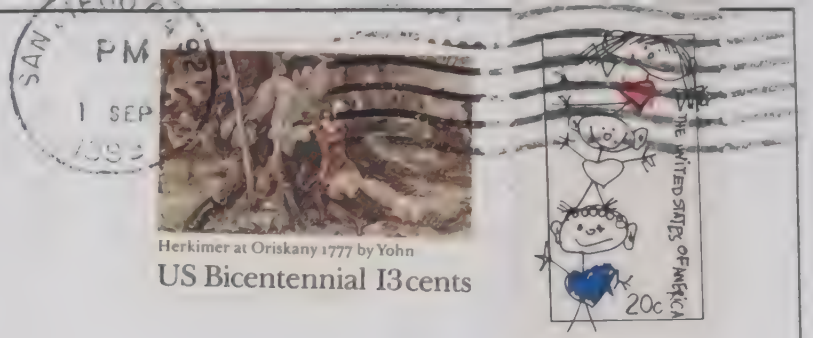

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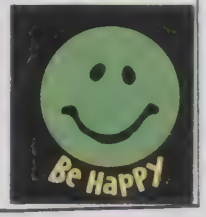

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ALBERT L. BABER

20 March 1919 - 25 September 1999

Albert L. Baber SDNS LM 16 passed away on Saturday morning after a long battle with heart disease. This long struggle slowed him down only a little.

Services will be held on Wednesday the 29th at the Masonic Temple on Ballantine in El Cajon. Remembrances, if desired, may be made in his name to the CSNA Memorial Education Fund % Treasurer CSNA, POBox 6909 San Diego CA 92166.

SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTES

There was one guest at the 742nd meeting of SDNS - Don Hale. Recent guests have been attracted to meetings because of announcements in F.Y.I. in the Union Tribune.

ANA Educational awards were made to Herman Hanson and Everett Jones for recent talks.

Coin for October will be Mercury dimes in Fine or better.

Speaker Chuck Luce spoke about LETTERED HEAD BUST HALVES and had some examples from his collection. For the Turban Head variety he said that Overton lists 438.

Eric Peich gave his research on the Kennedy 50¢ and the 1946 10¢.

EXHIBITS

Larry Baber had examples of Swedish plate money acquired at ANA in Chicago.He also had an Art Medal from the Spring Garden Instituts in Philadelphia issued in 1892.

Kay Lenker brought memorabilia from ANA including feather money, souvenir card, passport and medals.

Herman Hanson showed an album of Paper from the confederacy and local and state currency.

Mike Shaw shared medals from the Spanish Peninsular campaign awarded to Sir Thomas Picton in 1812.

Ginny Bourke had a collection of the youth money from the auction at Golden State show.

Dorothy Baber had the new Rulau Token book and the TAMS medal set received as designer.

Al Baber had many pieces of memorabilia from ANA in Chicago and the train trip to Iola.

Goodie jar name drawn was Jim Hunt - absent.

16 foreign silver coins were won by Chuck. Refreshments were furnished and served by Dorothy Baber.

The substitute editor for this issue does not have a list of the raffle prizes for October. There will be a raffle. For those of you who might wonder how the number varies each month it might be well to remind you that the monies taken each month are used for the supply the next month. We sometimes have more than at other times.

Refreshments in October are hosted by Mike Stanley from northern California. Several of our out of town members serve as hosts every year.

COMING EVENTS

Oct 5 Regular Meeting: 7:00PM
Larry Baber SIEGE NOTES OF MAFEKING
Mike Stanley Host
Coin Mercury Dime in Fine or better

Nov 2 Regular Meeting: 7:00 PM
Speaker Kay Lenker SILVER DOLLARS
Bob Vik Host

Dec 7 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
DONATION AUCTION
POT LUCK DINNER

Jan 4 Installation of Officers
Place - To be determined

If you are aware of a place that would be suitable for our annual dinner check out its availability and costs and bring the sample menus to the meeting. We prefer a place in the North Park area with facilities for 35-40 guests. Also, it should be open to at least 9:00 PM and have a separate area for our use. Any suggestions for a guest speaker would also be welcomed.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday 5 October 1999
Speaker: Larry Baber
Topic: SIEGE NOTES OF MAFEKING
Host: Mike Stanley
Coin: Mercury Dime Fine

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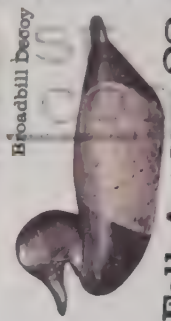

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SDNS will be going to Nicolosi's Italian Restaurant at 5351 Adobe Falls Road, off Waring Road, for the January Dinner.

This Restaurant is highly praised and a number of our members have patronized this restaurant and highly recommend it.

January 4th - 6:00 P.M. $10.00 each.

MORE LATER - just want you to mark your calendars now.....

COIN COLLECTING IS AN ADDICTION !

Woe unto thee if thou livest with a coin collector, particularly if the afflicted be thy spouse. For in the early stages of her malady, she suffers an addiction worse than dope.

She experiences immeasurable anguish at the clatter of change on the dresser. Her writhing can be abated only by gently submitting each coin to her upturned hand.

This is a woeful experience indeed, because never again will the tokens jingle in your pocket. They will be filed in endless plastic tubes, cardboard folders, or cellophane wrappers.

Upon feeling the metal discs in her hand, the troubled spirit is salved and a light appears in the addicts eye. She runs to a magnifying glass, snatches it up, squints through it, and spends minutes examining Lincoln's cheek, Jefferson's hairline, or Roosevelt's double chin.

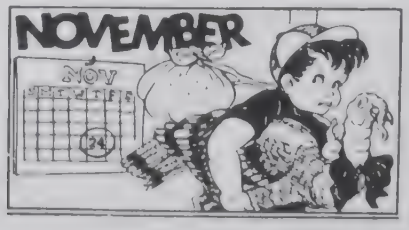
Never will she put a dime in a Coke machine when a quarter will yield three nickels to sort. One thing really worries me though. I wonder what the neighbors think when they see her go the laundromat day after day without soap or bleach, or even a bundle of clothes.

She walks straight to the change machine, puts in a half and gets two quarters. One quarter she puts in a slot that returns two dimes and a nickel. The other quarter is slotted to bring five nickels.

"I just can't resist", she shrugs, grinning like she had just opened a case of pop-tarts. "I'm a coin collector."

(*I do not remember who gave this to me, but the item was 'yellow' with age, as evidenced by the 'dime for a coke' thanks anyway.*

Editor



RAFFLE PRIZES....

1. 1999 Five $ Canadian
2. 1908 Barber Half dollar
3. 1951 Bulgaria Type set
4. D-1975 Christmas First Day Cover
5. 1979-S Susan B. Anthony Dollar
6. 1882 Penn Mint Medal
7. 1922-S Peace Dollar
8. 1847 Replica Hawaiiana Cent
9. 1990 Isle of Man Crown
10 D Coin World Trivia game
11 1973-S Proof Ike Dollar
12 1860 Indian Cent/ Copper Nic
13 Trick Magicians Coin
14 1881 Morgan Dollar
15 1986 Mother Goose Medal
16 1909 VDB Lincoln Cent
17-D PNG Day Telephone Card

Donations - Dorothy & Al Baber

Money really does not grow on trees --

and we do need your support…

PAY DUES…..

ELECTION OF OFFICERS….

Two 3-year Board members are to be elected at the December meeting…. As Chuck Luce and Al Baber (1-year terms) will be running out….

Start thinking about who you would want to serve as Board members for the next terms…These newly elected officers would be installed at the January 4th dinner meeting…

PS - we are checking to see if President Ginny is to be replaced at the December election…. Time does get away, and statistics get a little fuzzy….SO do you want to be president?

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DUES ARE DUE….

Please note…. It is time to pay your 2000 dues. We have not yet had to increase dues, even though postage has gone up considerably… so please send your $6.00 for 2000 dues to Secretary Kay Lenker - at PO box 6909 - San Diego CA 92166

This vacant space could be used for an advertisement, if you have something to sell (only $1.00 per inch) or an informative article on what you collect..... or what you might like to purchase...OR better yet, help educate the rest of us....

I have run out of ideas. IF you don't want to help, what am I to do?

DB Editor

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FOR SALE

IF you are looking for a real nice VAN for sale, Dorothy and Larry (Baber) are trying to find a buyer for Al's GMC 1994 Vandura Van It is real clean, and very well maintained. Give Larry a call at 588-8311 for further information - fully equipped = even with a a television !

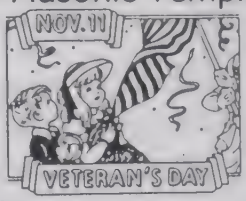
COMING EVENTS.....

Nov 2 - Regular meeting - 7:00 PM - NO SCHEDULED SPEAKER
so members should be sure and bring 'show 'n tells'
Host/Hostess Mary and Bob Vic
Coin: Washington Silver Quarter = VG

Nov. 6th SDCICNC meeting - representatives to be notified.

Nov. 7th Heartland Coin Show = El Cajon Masonic Temple

Nov 11th Veteran's Day -



Nov 25th Thanksgiving Day - Happy turkey....

Dec. 7th Potluck Dinner and Donation Auction.....

Jan 4th Annual Dinner - Nicolosi's Italian Restaurant

OTES FROM OCTOBER MEETING....

was the 743rd meeting of SDNS on 5 October, and there were 21 embers present.

ollowing the salute to the Flag, a brief moment of silence was observed n death of Mbr. Al Baber.

resident Ginny has investigated Nicolosi's in Mission Valley for the anuary dinner - cost of meal would be $10.00 which includes tax and ip. Young member Eric Peich reported on the Eisenhower silver dollar nd received a new coin to research.

Speaker Larry Baber presented an interesting report on the Seige Notes of Mafeking and he had a printed handout so that members could follow the story. It was only a 7-month battle, with Baden-Powell in charge. At that time, Winston Churchill was a war correspondent. The notes printed had embossed seals.

Chuck Luce received an ANA Educational award for his talk on Bust Halves at the last meeting.

Show and Tell included:

Chuck Luce's E-Bay purchases - Prison tokens, San Diegoana and a Julian mining certificate.

Mike Shaw - three books on Mafeking notes and commemorative medals for Baden-Powell and the Boer War. Mike has visited Mafeking.

Dorothy Baber - HSNA medals for their November show

Jim Hunt - Samples from a Mexican mint, in operation since 1550 and photos of the ANA World Series of Numismatics.

Jim Wells - paper money from Baton Rouges = E-Bay purchase and Louisiana notes from Civil War, printed on old bank notes from a Texas bank.

Ellen Hunt claimed the goodie bag, and Larry Baber was the winner of the 9 Mercury dimes.

Refreshments - donuts and cider - were [illegible] by Mike Stanley, absent member, and served by Dorothy Baber. Many of the members won more than one of the 21 raffle prizes offered.

Next Meeting:

Nov 2 - 1999 7:00 PM
Coin: Silver Quarter = ~~AG~~ VG
Host/Hostess: Mary and Bob Vik
Speaker - NONE.... Show n Tell

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7 p.m. at North Park Adult Center, 2719 Howard St.

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"NAMELESS" BABY

Pictured here is the design for the 38th anniversary medal of the Heartland Coin Club, and SDNS member Chuck Luce submitted the winning drawing. The panda is the first Panda born at the San Diego Zoo, and is still awaiting approval from China to give her a name....

A four-piece set will be available sometime in May 2000, which will consist of 1 bright silver medal, 1 oxidized silver, 1 golden bronze, and 1 oxidized bronze, and the set will sell for $30, if ordered before May 17th.

Interested, contact Paul Olson, 12310 Linroe Drive, San Diego, CA 92040

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The 34D Cent About Buried this Coin Buyer!

By Rex L. Salmon

The first and only time I placed an ad to buy coins I had some good buys and, well, there were others.

I'd been a member of this coin club about a year and thought it was my time to reach out for some old stashed coins in Nebraska.

Since I was going to spend the summer of 1964 there after graduating from San Diego State, I decided to place an ad in my hometown newspaper, Aurora News-Register. It was a 4x10-inch ad and I listed the key small coins back to the 3-cent.

I didn't have much money just out of college -- about $100 -- but wanted to see if I could double my money.

So, I waited by my parents' phone when the paper came out. I placed the ad only once, but people kept responding all summer -- even bought a county judge's roll-top desk for $29 and sold it for $350 here.

I went to a Little League game to pick up a 14D cent EF chocolate for $27.50. I sold it for $150 at El Cajon Swap Meet. A 31S cent cost me $10 and it was auctioned for $30 at our club meeting at Vasa Hall.

I was offered a large cent with some luster -- an 1845 as I recall -- and paid $5 for it, which turned out to be a mixed-up coin with 43 and 44 sides worth $150. I sold it to Harlan White for $100.

Those were the best buys, but I also made money on another 50 coins or so.

Now, the bad buy: I made a mistake in the ad paying 50 cents for 34D cents. One farm woman had three rolls of them. I didn't even think to say it was an error. I paid her $75 and got the phone to John J. McCurry, another coin club member, for a loan.

So, 35 years later, I still have most of those 34D cents and now I can make a profit --- but I've become attached to them and cherish their costly history.

Speaker/Hosting schedule…..

It is time to speak up and show you can help during the year:

	Speaker	Host/Hostess
February		
March		
April		
May		
June	Other Hobby Night	Birthday Night
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December	White Elephant Sale	Potluck Dinner

Have you paid your 2000 dues?
Only $6.00…….. mailed to
Secretary Kay Lenker

MEETING NOTES....

At the Nov. 2nd meeting, SDNS gained a new member - Bob Fritsch of Nashua NH. Bob says business will bring him to San Diego more frequently, so he has joined the Society. BUT, sadly, we found we lost a member - Martha Stevenson of Richton Park, IL passed away in late August. Martha has often been a contributor with articles for the Bulletin.

Following a few announcements, nominations were open for the office of 3-year Board members and those selected were Dave Jones, and Everett Jones. They will be installed at the January 4th dinner meeting.

Larry Baber was presented with an ANA Educational award for his talk on Makefing Siege notes in October.

A motion (by Wayne Dickey and seconded by Jack Hook) to subsidize the January Installation dinner by $5.00 for members was just barely successful. (Detailed information on the dinner to be found elsewhere in this issue). Ginny appointed Chuck Luce to take over the monthly drawing. (As is usual, there will be no drawing in December, as members are urged to participate in the Donation Auction, which purchases prizes for the Installation dinner)

The December Donation Auction night will also be a potluck, with the chicken to be furnished by the Society. Ginny Bourke will take care of details and members should call her (at 421-8542) so she will know how much chicken to purchase. AND don't forget to bring your own table service as well as an accompanying covered dish.....

Show 'n Tell brought out:

Kay Lenker with a matted and framed $2 bill with Battleship.
Chuck Luce - San Diegoana album with various size dots.
Larry Baber displayed a CSNA convention album that his Dad had assembled - 1947 to 1967. He also had more information on the Spring Garden Institute medals he had researched in Philadelphia
Vernon Reed 1999 Proof sets and a $25 bad of SBA's, and a near date 1979.
Mike Shaw - British Medals for the war in Persia 1856-57 and a medal for an Indian meeting 1857-58
Phil Centman brought a photo and first day cover of a B-24.
Eric Peich had a set of coins with dates 1776-1976

Terry Cruggs claimed the goodie jar while the Ginny picked up the nine quarters. Refreshments were furnished and served by Bob Vik.

With his dues Stan Turrini made a donation of $20....Thanks, Stan

CALENDAR OF EVENTS....

Dec 7th — Donation Auction Sale
Potluck Dinner 6:30 PM
Bring your own table service.....

Dec 25th — MERRY CHRISTMAS

Jan 1st — HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Social Hour 6:00 PM
Dinner 6:30 PM

Regular Meeting

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